

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the FIRST paragraph of specification page 14 with the following replacement paragraph:

sources of the filer to establish an instance of a multi-protocol server. Each vfiler is maintained and executed entirely independent of other vfilers on the filer platform. To that end, dedicated filer resources, such as units of storage and network addresses of network interfaces may be arbitrarily grouped and “hard” partitioned to establish security domains within the filer platform. Yet common filer resources, such as storage devices and a storage operating system, may be shared among the vfilers. The vfiler architecture is disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/035,664 now issued as U.S. patent No. _____, titled *Architecture for Creating and Maintaining Virtual Filers on a Filer*, which is hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.